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SUBJECT: TREATY NEGOTIATIONS-COMMUNIQUE ON EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT

1. ONLY ITEM APPEARING IN LOCAL MEDIA DEALING WITH TREATY NEGOTIATIONS IN PAST DAY IS ANOTHER NATIONAL INFORMATION COMMISSION COMMUNIQUE ON EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT GUARANTEES FOR CANAL WORKERS.

2. THIS STATES THAT PANAMA HAS ADVANCED A PROPOSAL BY UNION LEADERS ANDERSON AND KIRVEN FOR AN EARLY RETIREMENT PLAN FOR EMPLOYEES NOT RE-EMPLOYED BY NEW CANAL ENTITY. PLAN CALLS FOR IMMEDIATE RETIREMENT, WITH A TOP ANNUITY OF 80 PERCENT OF ANNUAL SALARY FOR 25 OR MORE YEARS SERVICE, SCALING DOWN BY TEN PERCENT INCREMENTS AT INTERVALS OF FIVE YEARS' SERVICE TO A BOTTOM OF 40 PERCENT FOR THOSE WITH 5-10 YEARS SERVICE.

3. COMMUNIQUE STATES THAT FOR THOSE RE-EMPLOYED BY CANAL ENTITY SALARIES WOULD BE BASED ON SCALE ESTABLISHED BY ENTITY, BUT IN NO CASE SHOULD EMPLOYEES LOSE LABOR BENEFITS SUCH AS LIFE INSURANCE, HOSPITALIZATION, VACATIONS, ETC.

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RM THIS HAS RECEIVED LIGHTEST TREATMENT OF ANY SUCH COMMUNIQUE WE HAVE SEEN RECENTLY--IT WAS CARRIED BY BROADCAST MEDIA EVENING OF JUNE 14, BUT WAS NOT PRINTED MORNING JUNE 15 BY EITHER "STAR AND HERALD" OR "CRITICA".

"ESTRELLA" GAVE IT A BOTTOM SLOT ON FRONT PAGE; "MATUTINO", AS USUAL, PUT IT ON INSIDE WITH A FRONT-PAGE BOX REFERENCE. THERE WAS NO COMMENT. FULL TEXT FBIS/PANAMA PA 150212Y.

5. COMMENT: REASON FOR SLIGHT COVERAGE OF THIS COMMUNIQUE, IT APPEARS TO US, IS THAT ITS SUBJECT MATTER IS LIMITED IN DETAILED OR IMMEDIATE INTEREST LARGELY TO THOSE EMPLOYED IN CANAL ZONE. TO THE REST OF PANAMA, ITS IMPORTANCE IS LIMITED TO SIGNIFYING THAT THE GOP IS STILL SEEKING TO "PROTECT" ITS CITIZENS EMPLOYED BY U.S. GONZALEZ

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